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REPLY TO NOTICE OF IMPROPER REQUEST FOR RCE

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In reply to the Notice of Improper Request for Continued Examination dated December 5, 2005, the Applicant would like to bring to the Examiner's attention that a cheque in the amount of US\$790.00 (cheque no 115088193, copy enclosed) was filed along with the RCE.

The Applicant would be grateful if a thorough search of that payment could be effected, as the RCE dated October 5, 2005, was filed in a timely manner, along with the cheque.

Very respectfully,

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_ :	 Continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to an application that was filed before June 8, 1995. Applicant may wish to consider filing a continuing application under 37 CFR 1.53(b).
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